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Namra Finance Limited: Ratings withdrawn for PTCs backed by microfinance loan receivables securitisation transaction

Summary of rating action

| Trust Name | Instrument* | Initial Rated Amount (Rs. crore) | Amount O/s after Last Surveillance (Rs. crore) | Current Rated Amount (Rs. crore) | Rating Action |
|-------------------|---------------|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| Northern Arc 2021 | PTC Series A1 | 14.99 | 7.16 | 0.00 | [ICRA]AA-(SO); Withdrawn |
| MFI Zelaya | PTC Series A2 | 0.34 | 0.34 | 0.00 | [ICRA]A+(SO); Withdrawn |

*Instrument details are provided in Annexure I

Rationale

ICRA has withdrawn the ratings for pass through certificates (PTCs) issued under microfinance loan receivables securitisation transaction originated by Namra Finance Limited (NFL). All the payouts to the investors in the above-mentioned instruments have been made and no further payments are due to the investors.

The key rating drivers, liquidity position, rating sensitivities have not been captured as the rating assigned to the instruments have been withdrawn. The previous detailed rating rationale of previous rating exercise is available at the following link: <u>Click here</u>

Analytical approach

| Analytical Approach | Comments |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Applicable Rating Methodologies | ICRA's Policy on Withdrawal of Credit Rating |
| Parent/Group Support | Not Applicable |
| Consolidation/Standalone | Not Applicable |

About the originator

Namra Finance Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Arman Financial Services Limited. Microfinance is regulated by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), which only allows non-banking financial company-microfinance institutions (NBFC-MFIs) to conduct microfinance operations. Hence, a wholly-owned structure was set up at NFL.

NFL's operations are spread across central and western India in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Haryana. Lending is done with a ticket size of Rs. 45,000 through cashless transfers to the borrower's bank account. NFL mainly lends to women borrowers through joint liability groups (JLGs). As of September 30, 2022, the Group's microfinance operations had 246 branches spread over 109 districts in eight states. The company had 4.7 lakh+ active customers.

Key financial indicators

| NFL | FY2020 (Audited) | FY2021 (Audited) | FY2022 (Audited) | H1FY2023 (Provisional) | |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Total income | 148.4 | 134.0 | 173.0 | 128.9 | |
| Profit after tax | 25.2 | 4.9 | 18.5 | 22.2 | |
| Assets under management | 621.1 | 642.4 | 1,022.0 | 1,190.0 | |
| Gross NPA | 0.93% | 4.63% | 3.7% | 3.2% | |
| Net NPA | 0.01% | 2.98% | 0.6% | 0.1% | |

Amount in Rs. crore

Source: Company, ICRA Research; All ratios as per ICRA's calculations



Status of non-cooperation with previous CRA: Not applicable

Any other information: None

Rating history for past three years

| | Trust Name | Current Rating (FY2023) | | | | Chronology of Rating History for the past 3 years | | | | |
|------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sr. No. | | Instrument (| Initial Amount Rated (Rs. crore) | Amount Outstanding (Rs. crore) | Date & Rating | | Date & Rating in FY2022 | | Date & Rating in FY2021 | Date & Rating in FY2020 |
| | | | | | Jan 12, 2023 | May 19, 2022 | Oct 28, 2021 | 2021, Aug 11 | | |
| 1 | Northern Arc 2021 | PTC Series A1 | 14.99 | 0.00 | [ICRA]AA-(SO); Withdrawn | [ICRA]AA-(SO) | [ICRA]A+(SO) | Provisional [ICRA]A+(SO) | | |
| 1 | MFI Zelaya | PTC Series A2 | 0.34 | 0.00 | [ICRA]A+(SO); Withdrawn | [ICRA]A+(SO) | [ICRA]A-(SO) | Provisional [ICRA]A-(SO) | | |

Complexity level of the rated instrument

| Trust Name | Instrument | Complexity Indicator | | |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Northern Arc 2021 | PTC Series A1 | Moderately Complex | | |
| MFI Zelaya | PTC Series A2 | Moderately Complex | | |

The Complexity Indicator refers to the ease with which the returns associated with the rated instrument could be estimated. It does not indicate the risk related to the timely payments on the instrument, which is rather indicated by the instrument's credit rating. It also does not indicate the complexity associated with analysing an entity's financial, business, industry risks or complexity related to the structural, transactional, or legal aspects. Details on the complexity levels of the instruments, is available on ICRA's website <u>Click here</u>



Annexure I: Instrument details

| Trust Name | Instrument Name | Date of Issuance / Sanction | Coupon Rate | Maturity Date | Amount Rated (Rs. Crore) | Current Rating |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Northern Arc 2021 MFI Zelaya | PTC Series A1 | August 2021 | 9.60% | April 2023 | 0.00 | [ICRA]AA-(SO); Withdrawn |
| | PTC Series A2 | August 2021 | 15.00% | April 2023 | 0.00 | [ICRA]A+(SO); Withdrawn |

Source: Company

Annexure II: List of entities considered for consolidated analysis

Not Applicable



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